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1. REPORT OF THE FEBRUARY 2 JAMAICAN/CUBAN FOREIGN
MINISTERS PRESS CONFERENCE WAS OF INTEREST BECAUSE OF
ITS PUBLIC STATEMENT OF THE INTENTION OF THE CURRENT
G-77 SPOKESMAN (JAMAICA) AND THE TITULAR LEADER OF
THE NAM AFTER 1979 (CUBA), TO COLLABORATE IN PURSUIT OF A
UNIFIED APPROACH.

2. IN AN INFORMAL CONVERSATION WITH US OFFICIALS IN
NEW YORK ON FEBRUARY 3, JAMAICAN DEPUTY PERMANENT
REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UN GERALD HALL EMPHASIZED THE

COMPLEMENTARY NATURE OF THE NAM AND G-77, STATING THAT, IN MANY CASES, THE SAME INDIVIDUALS COVERED NAM AND G-77 AFFAIRS AND REPRESENTED THEIR GOVERNMENTS AT NAM AND G-77 MEETINGS. HE GAVE NO INDICATION, HOWEVER, OF ANY DIRECT LINK BETWEEN THE TWO GROUPS. ON THE CONTRARY, HE SAID THE G-77 WAS FREE TO PICK UP OR LEAVE ALONE ANY ECONOMIC PROPOSAL OF THE NAM. WE WONDER WHETHER THIS MIGHT CHANGE IN LIGHT OF THE PRESS CONFERENCE.

3. CUBAN INTEREST IN THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT HAS BEEN PRIMARILY POLITICAL. WITH THIS IN MIND, THE DEPARTMENT WOULD BE INTERESTED IN FURTHER REPORTING FROM ACTION ADDRESSEES ON THE JAMAICAN/CUBAN COLLABORATION IN NAM AND G-77 MATTERS AND THE LONGER-TERM IMPLICATIONS FOR THESE TWO GROUPINGS. VANCE

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